

King Mackerel Calendar of Events

(Does not include annual quota closures – please see [Fishing Seasons and Closures](#))

| Date | Zone | Location | Trip Limit* |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| January 1 | Atlantic Group – Northern Zone | NY – NC/SC | 3,500 lb |
| | Atlantic Group – Southern Zone Season 2 | NC/SC - Flagler/Volusia, FL | 3,500 lb |
| | Atlantic Group – Southern Zone Season 2 | Flagler/Volusia – Dade/Monroe | 50 fish |
| | Gulf Group – Southern Zone Hook and Line component | Dade/Monroe - Collier/Lee | 1,250 lb |
| | Gulf Group –Northern Zone | Collier/Lee - FL/AL | 1,250 lb |
| | Gulf Group – Western Zone | FL/AL - TX/Mexico | 3,000 lb |
| February 1 – end of February | Atlantic Group – Southern Zone Season 2 | Flagler/Volusia – Dade/Monroe | Increases to 75 fish if less than 70% of the quota has been landed |
| Tuesday after Dr. MLK Jr. day Gillnet season opens | Gulf Group –Southern Zone Gillnet component | Dade/Monroe - Collier/Lee | 45,000 lb (gillnets only) |
| March 1 New fishing year begins | Atlantic Group – Northern Zone | NY – NC/SC | 3,500 lb |
| | Atlantic Group – Southern Zone | NC/SC - Flagler/Volusia | 3,500 lb |
| March 1 – March 31 | Atlantic Group – Southern Zone Season 1 | Flagler/Volusia – Dade/Monroe | 50 fish |
| April 1 – September 30 | Atlantic Group – Southern Zone Season 1 | Flagler/Volusia – Dade/Monroe | 75 fish |
| July 1 New fishing year begins | Gulf Group – Southern Zone Hook and Line component | Dade/Monroe - Collier/Lee | 1,250 lb |
| | Gulf Group – Western Zone | FL/AL - TX/Mexico | 3,000 lb |
| October 1 New fishing year begins | Gulf Group – Northern Zone | Collier/Lee - FL/AL | 1,250 lb |
| October 1 – January 31 | Atlantic Group – Southern Zone Season 2 | Flagler/Volusia – Dade/Monroe | 50 fish |

*Trip limit that will be in place if the zone has not closed.